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Group No. 1725

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: M. EZUMI, et al.  
Application No.: 10/084,417  
Filed: February 28, 2002  
For: FRICTION STIR WELDING METHOD AND METHOD  
FOR MANUFACTURING A CAR BODY  
Art Unit: 1725  
Examiner: J. J. Johnson

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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July 1, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 1, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the  
following pages:

Amendment to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.

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